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COUNTRY Poland REPORT

TOPIC 1. Polish Troops in Ortelsburg and Bischofsburg (Bischupies) 25X1

2. Polish Border Guard Troops near Hirschfelde 25X1

EVALUATION  PLACE OBTAINED  25X1

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REFERENCES

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REMARKS This is UNEVALUATED 25X1  
Information

1. Prior to February 1954, the former Jaeger Kaserne on the north side of the road to Olschienen (R 54/A 03) on the eastern perimeter of Ortelsburg (R 54/E 93) quartered Polish troops who wore khaki uniforms and red service color. Some buildings and low wooden structures across from the south side of the installation were also occupied by soldiers. Trucks occupied by soldiers were observed at the billets. About 10 tanks which were occupied by soldiers wearing khaki uniforms were seen leaving the installation. No other heavy weapons were observed. The installation also quartered another unit whose men were much younger than the regular soldiers. The men of this unit also received military training. They wore caps with red-and-white markings. 1

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2. In 1953, older men in the district of Ortelsburg, who had not yet served with the Polish Army were called up. Both Germans and Poles were affected by this measure. A 30-year-old German who had already served in the German Armed Forces was drafted into the Polish infantry for a three months' course which was held in a large cantonment near Muschaken (R 54/E 71) from July to September 1953. After completion of his training, this German said that he would be assigned to a unit stationed at Allenstein (R 54/E 66) in case of mobilization, and others of his fellow trainees would have to report to an infantry unit in Deutsch Eylau (Q 54/E 04). 1

3. In October 1953, the only barracks installation in Bischofsburg (R 54/E 97) located on the northwest side of the road to Allenstein and southwest of Bischofsburg was occupied to capacity by Polish

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troops who wore khaki uniforms and caps with red bands. Local residents said that these soldiers were infantrymen. Some horse-drawn vehicles and motorcycles were observed in the installation. 2

4. On 9 September 1954, a barracks installation which was occupied to capacity by Polish border guard troops was observed in an area about 350 x 150 meters, 700 meters north of Hirschfelde (N 53/V 06) on the eastern bank of the Neisse River and west of the Zittau - Goerlitz railroad line. The installation included three barracks each of which was occupied by about 80 men, and one kennel. An obstacle course and an athletic field were located in the northern section of the installation. 3

1. Comment. This report is confirmed by the statements of another woman who was resettled in January 1954. . . Older classes receive short-time training according to paragraph 6, article 27, and paragraphs 1 - 3, article 52 of the National Defense Act, dated 4 February 1950.

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2. Comment. It is believed that the installation quarters component units of the 53d or 54th Inf Regt of the 15th Div which is located at Sensburg.

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3. Comment. The unit probably belongs to the 6th WOP (Border Guard) Brig in Lauban.

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